



Photo by Airman 1st Class Veronica Pierce

In just seven minutes ...

Airman First Class Jamar Adams, 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron Ammo Flight, marks a tracing number on a Bomb Dummy Unit-33 in preparation for delivery. This preparing for delivery allows the 355th EMS to assemble approximately 80 bombs within seven minutes.

355th CES civilian receives award

By 1st Lt. Beth Tucker
355th Wing Public Affairs

The 355th Civil Engineer Squadron Senior Civilian of the Year received notice of one more award to add to his resume: the Air Combat Command Outstanding Civil Engineer Civilian Manager award.

Christopher Krunschke, 355th CES mechanical engineer working as the chief of Contract Execution/Simplified Acquisition of Base Engineering Resources Office, has a list of accomplishments in the past year that stands above others in ACC. The first line on the award package says that he's known basewide for his stellar performance.

The stellar performance that Mr. Krunschke is known for has touched on almost every area and aspect of the base. One example that everyone sees driving through the gates each day was his involvement in making our base safer with the \$1.2 million overhaul of the Swan Road Gate.

Hundreds of deployers from D-M are more trained and knowledgeable about their deployed mission with the \$700,000 of equipment Mr. Krunschke secured funding for at Road Runner City's Ready to Deploy Course.

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Davis-Monthan community hosts newest United States citizens Sept. 30

By 1st Lt. Beth Tucker
355th Wing Public Affairs

Five Davis-Monthan Airmen, 10 active duty and reserve soldiers and 52 other applicants from Southern Arizona swore their allegiance to the United States at a D-M ceremony Sept. 30.

"I've got U.S. Air Force on my chest; I might as well go all the way with it," said Airman 1st Class Edmundo Lopez, 355th Logistics Readiness Squadron vehicle operator. Airman

Lopez was one of the new citizens. This was the first time D-M hosted a naturalization ceremony, with many more to come, as Col. Michael Spencer, 355th Wing commander, said during his comments to all of the 67 new citizens.

"Davis-Monthan boasts 250 naturalized citizens carrying out our mission in vital roles," Colonel Spencer said. "As citizens of the greatest country on earth, we see the effect of our diverse mix of culture, race and ethnicity. This diversity yields the

strength and ingenuity that makes our nation a world power."

The Honorable John M. Roll of the United States District Court presided over the ceremony in D-M's Mountain View Conference Center.

After raising their right hands and taking an oath, very similar in some parts to what the servicemembers took during their enlistments, all in attendance honored the flag and what the nation stands for with the pledge of allegiance.

Through a video, the leader of

the our nation, President George W. Bush, congratulated all of the new Americans.

Addressing the new citizens, particularly the servicemembers, the Honorable Roll said, "This is a great opportunity to share a wonderful day with you. I have so much respect for what you are doing. The services are really the strength of our country and should never be far from the minds of Americans."

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The Davis-Monthan Air Force Base timeline of hours as of Monday

Squadron	Required	Flown	Annual	Squadron	Required	Flown	Annual
41st ECS	145.0	7.0	1,590.0	162nd OSB	15.0	15.0	2,135.0
43rd ECS	143.0	0.0	1,398.0	354th FS	1,181.3	11.7	8,942.0
55th RQS	267.0	17.0	2,880.0	357th FS	838.2	50.1	8,998.0
79th RQS	165.0	6.0	1,845.0	358th FS	2,064.2	42.6	9,134.0

DM 50 picnic

The Davis-Monthan community is invited to the annual DM 50 picnic Oct. 15 at Bama Park. The picnic is scheduled to begin at 11 a.m. For more information on the DM 50 picnic, contact 2nd Lt. NaritaSan Meana, 355th Services Squadron at 228-4414.

BX Pharmacy concerns

Concern: The old satellite pharmacy was so much more convenient than the new pharmacy in the Base Exchange. Why was the pharmacy moved?

Response: Thank you for allowing us to share what the new pharmacy provides.

I understand that some of our patients are inconvenienced by the closing of the satellite pharmacy and the opening of the new Community pharmacy. We have made these changes to improve our overall service.

First, for our customers, we needed to add full service to our secondary pharmacy. We could not accomplish this at the satellite pharmacy for two reasons.

The parking lot was very small: less than 15 spaces, only two of which were handicap designated and the lobby had no waiting space.

With the location of the new Community Pharmacy at the BX, there is virtually unlimited parking and patients can drop off their prescription and shop at the BX or sit at the 200 seat food court — true one-stop shopping for most customers.

Additionally, we are now able to provide customers with face to face consultation when there are questions or problems with a prescription, which we were unable to do at a drive thru.

Although the lobby of the new pharmacy is small and somewhat difficult for the motorized wheelchairs to navigate, the Community

Pharmacy is equipped with handicap accessible entryways and countertops to facilitate prescription pick up for our handicapped beneficiaries.

We have extended hours at the Community Pharmacy to be open between 9:00 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

For patients who choose not to visit our new pharmacy, there is the option of a downtown pharmacy, with a co-pay of \$3 to \$9 per prescription for a 30 day supply.

Another convenient option, especially for our disabled or elderly beneficiaries, is the mail-order pharmacy which will mail a 90 day supply of medication to your door for that same co-payment of \$3 to \$9 per prescription. For more information, visit www.express-scripts.com.

*Supporting each other and working together to provide the best programs and services is a goal for all D-M people. Ideas, suggestions, comments, concerns and kudos are important to make improvements. The best way to pass along a comment or to get an answer to a concern is to contact the agency chief or functional managers listed here. Still no solution? The Commander's Corner phone line is 228-4747. An e-mail can also be sent to: 355thWing.CommandersCorner@dm.af.mil. Callers must leave their name, phone number and a message. They will receive a prompt reply in writing or by telephone. We will honor caller confidentiality, but sometimes we need to contact callers to gather additional information. If a concern is of general interest to the base populace, the response may be published in the **Desert Airman**. Anonymous calls may not be published.*



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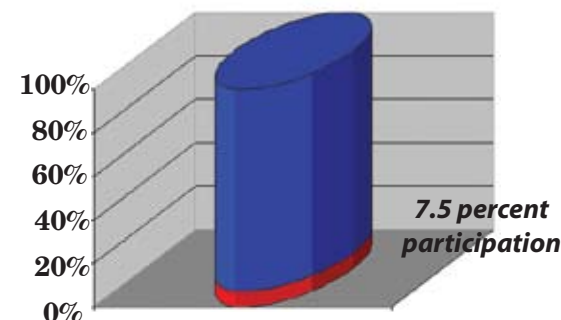
Col. Michael Spencer, 355th Wing commander (far right), enjoys a steak and time talking with Airmen at the Chief's Group annual Steak Out held here Sept. 29. The annual event raises money for the enlisted morale programs. This event raised more than \$400.

Agency numbers

AAFES Agencies.....	228-3904	Inspector General.....	228-3558
Accounting and Finance.....	228-4964	Legal.....	228-6432
Chaplain.....	228-5411	Lodging.....	228-4845
Civil Engineering.....	228-3401	Military and Civilian Equal	
Clinic.....	228-2930	Opportunity Office.....	228-5509
Commissary.....	228-3116	Military Personnel.....	228-5689
Family Support.....	228-5690	Public Affairs.....	228-3204
Fitness and Sports Center.....	228-0022	Security Forces.....	228-6178
Haefner Fitness Center.....	228-3714	Services.....	228-5596
Housing Office.....	228-3687	Transportation.....	228-3584

Contribution update

The goal for the 2005 Combined Federal Campaign is for 2,972 people to participate. As of Monday, 223 participant forms have been turned in.



Ready to deploy ...

Davis-Monthan: 960 **355th Wing:** 670
(Approximate numbers as of Tuesday.)

Team D-M Mission Spotlight



Photo by 1st Lt. Beth Tucker

As part of the 355th Service Squadron, the Desert Lightning Dining Facility provides



Airmen at Davis-Monthan with many choices of meals that are enjoyable and healthy.

The Food Services Mission is to provide food service excellence in support of the Air Force readiness and peacetime mission. The

Dining Facility serves between 300 and 350 Airmen through the lunch line daily.

Airman 1st Class Ruby Rivera-Reyes, 355th Services Squadron, cuts cantalope to stock the lunch salad bar at the Desert Lightning Dining Facility.



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First female Airman dies during OIF after IED explodes Sept. 28

SAN ANTONIO — An improvised explosive device killed a female Airman during a convoy mission supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Airman 1st Class Elizabeth Jacobson, 21, was providing convoy security Sept. 28 near Camp Bucca, Iraq, when the vehicle she was riding in was hit by an improvised explosive device.

The Riviera Beach, Fla., native was assigned to the 17th Security Forces Squadron at Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas. Airman Jacobson had been in the Air Force for two years and had been deployed to Iraq for more than three months.

She is the first female Air Force Airman killed in the line of duty in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

"She was an outstanding Air-

man who embraced life and took on all the challenges and responsibilities with extraordinary commitment to her country, her comrades and her family," said Col. Scott Bethel, 17th Training Wing commander at Goodfellow.

"Her dedication to the U.S. Air Force and serving her country was evident in all aspects of who this young lady was," he said.

"Team Goodfellow and the San Angelo community are deeply saddened by this tragic loss of one of our cherished family members," Colonel Bethel said. "Our thoughts and prayers go out to her family during this difficult time. We ask that all Americans keep Airman Jacobson, her family and the men and women serving in the military, overseas and in the United States in their thoughts and prayers as they

continue to keep America free."

(Information courtesy of Air Force Print News.)



Courtesy photo

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Congratulations Lt. Col. selects

Congratulations to the following majors from Davis-Monthan who were selected for promotion to lieutenant colonel:

12th Air Force: Teresa Schwehm; **41st Electronic Combat Squadron:** Chad Coe; **354th Fighter Squadron:** David Clinton; **355th Aerospace Medicine Squadron:** Jennifer Kimmet and Trent Tate; **355th Equipment**

Maintenance Squadron: Gary Wiley, Jr.; **355th Maintenance Operations Squadron:** Theresa Humphrey; **612th Combat Plans Squadron:** Anton Cihak and Michael Phillips; **612th Combat Operations Squadron:** Michael Feathers and Muriel Ramirez-Salas; **755th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron:** Michael Shea; **755th Operations Support Squadron:** Dean Clothier and Daniel Vasquez

Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare accreditation survey

The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare organizations will conduct an accreditation survey of 355th Medical Group, Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Oct. 25-28.

The purpose of the survey will be to evaluate the organization's compliance with nationally established Joint Commission standards. The survey results will be used to determine whether, and the conditions under which accreditation should be awarded the organization.

Joint Commission standards deal with organization quality, safety-of-care issues, and the safety of the environment in which care is provided. Anyone believing that he or she has pertinent and valid information about such matters may request a public information interview with the Joint Commission's field representatives at the time of the survey.

Information presented at the interview will be carefully evaluated for relevance to the accreditation process. Requests for a public information interview must be made in writing and should

be sent to the Joint Commission no later than five working days before the survey begins. The request must also indicate the nature of the information to be provided at the interview. Such request should be addressed to:

Division of Accreditation Operations
Office of Quality Monitoring
Joint Commission on Accreditation of
Healthcare Organizations
One Renaissance Blvd.
Oak Brooke Terrace, IL 60181

Or faxed to: (630) 792-5636 Or e-mailed to: complaint@jcaho.org

The Joint Commission's Office of Quality Monitoring will acknowledge in writing or by telephone requests received 10 days before the survey begins. An Account Representative will contact the individual requesting the public information interview prior to survey, indicating the location, date and time of the interview and the name of surveyor who will conduct the interview.

News Notes

NCO enlisted call

All NCOs from Davis-Monthan are required to attend the mandatory enlisted call today at the Base Theater. Individuals need to attend either 7:30 a.m. or 3:30 p.m. enlisted call. Tenant unit NCOs can also attend.

Gate closures Monday

The Craycroft Road Gate will be the only open gate Monday due to national holiday.

Airmen enlisted call

Senior Airmen and below from Davis-Monthan are required to attend the mandatory enlisted call Oct. 14 at the Base Theater. Individuals need to attend either the 7:30 a.m. or 3:30 p.m. enlisted call. Tenant unit Airmen are also encouraged to attend.

Community Center closure

The Desert Lightning Community Center will be closed Oct. 14 through 16 for facility maintenance. For more information, contact the community center at 228-3717.

Hispanic Heritage dorm party

The Hispanic Heritage committee is hosting a Dormitory Hispanic Heritage Picnic today from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at Building 3508.

Power outage

There will be a scheduled power outage Oct. 22. The affected facilities include Buildings 139, 145, Site 5 and the Firing Range area. The outage will commence at 6 a.m. and end at 6 p.m. The outage is required as part of the new 41st and 43rd Squadron Operations construction project. Any questions can be directed to the 355th Civil Engineer Squadron service call, at 228-3171.

Tailgate Party

D-M is invited to join the University of Arizona tailgate party starting at 1 p.m. and watch as they play football against University of California Los Angeles Nov. 5 at 4 p.m. The U of A is offering a D-M Day special with \$10 tickets with free food, a ball cap and more. For more information, call 228-3700.

Finance customer service number

The 355th Comptroller Squadron has a new customer service phone number: 228-5111. In addition to the phone number, individuals can also contact the finance office through e-mail at: 355cpts.custsvc2@dm.af.mil.

Terrorism history

Oct. 9, 1983, North Korean commandos detonated a bomb in Rangoon during a state visit by Republic of Korea officials. Twenty-one Burmese and Korean officials were killed.

Hispanic Heritage Month draws to close

D-M community has two chances to join in on fun during final Heritage events

By Senior Airman Brandy Dupper-Macy
355th Wing Public Affairs

After weeks of celebration, the Hispanic Heritage Month committee is down to its final two events.

The dorm party is today from 5 to 6 p.m. at the pavilion of Building 3508 and the Latin Fiesta is Oct. 14 from 7 to 11 p.m. at The Mirage Officers' Club.

"(These are important events) because it allows us to share our Hispanic Heritage with everyone," said 1st Lt. AnaMarie McMahon, 355th Logistics Readiness Squadron and Hispanic Heritage Committee presi-

dent. "It is a month-long celebration that celebrates our differences and allows people to learn what types of things the Hispanic Culture offers."

During the dorm party, Airmen who live in the dorms will have an opportunity to taste authentic Mexican food for free and listen to music.

The food at the dorm party will include: carne asada (grilled beef), Spanish rice, refried beans, flour tortillas, guacamole, salsa, chips, soda and water.

During the Latin Fiesta, Airmen and families will also have the opportunity to celebrate Hispanic Heritage.

There will be a live band, a Disc Jockey to encourage dancing and a variety of Hispanic appetizers to eat for free, Lieutenant McMahon said.

It is important to take advantage of these events because the Hispanic Heritage Month observance only comes once a year, Lieutenant McMahon said. "This will be our last event and it will culminate the month-long

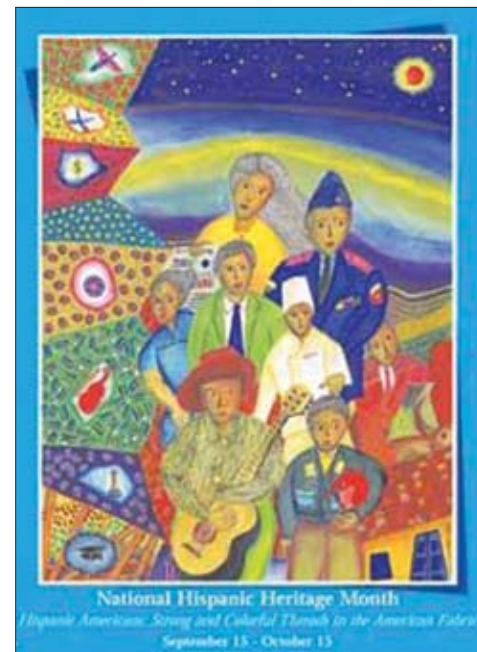
celebration. It will be a great time to listen to some Hispanic tunes and whether it is a ranchera or salsa, you can dance and have a great time celebrating the Hispanic culture."

These types of events are a way of getting to know other cultures and to better understand where fellow Wingmen come from.

"It allows Airmen to get to know some of their co-workers ethnicities and have fun," Lieutenant McMahon said.

"It's a matter of pride, everybody is proud of their roots, origin and nationality," said 1st Lt. Lucien Fuertes, 355th Communications Squadron and Hispanic Heritage public coordinator and marketing. "This, like other heritage months celebrated across the nation, gives us a tremendous opportunity to show our traits, customs, beliefs and beauty of our race. It's very important because it gives us the sense of

belonging to something special."



Courtesy graphic

The Hispanic Heritage Month committee poster can be found around D-M. For more information on events, call 228-7178.

Prevention

D-M firefighters aim to educate community on fire prevention

By Senior Airman Brandy Dupper-Macy
355th Wing Public Affairs

The 355th Civil Engineer Squadron Fire and Emergency Services Flight will host Fire Prevention Week at Davis-Monthan Sunday through Oct. 15.

"The base fire department uses Fire Prevention Week to host local activities and events to both entertain and educate the public and raise awareness of key fire safety issues, (which) help our citizens prevent fires and injuries, especially in the home," said Raymond LeClair, 355th CES assistant chief of fire prevention. "Fire Prevention Week is the time when we reach out to the community one-on-one, teaching people of every age how to prevent fires."

Fire Prevention Week is designated by the Presidential Proclamation, coinciding with the anniversary of the Great Chicago Fire of Oct. 9, 1871.

Based on national fire trends, the National Fire Protection Association established "Use Candles with Care" as this year's theme for Fire Prevention Week, Mr. LeClair said. "Mishandling candles resulted in approximately 18,000 fires and 190 deaths annually throughout the nation. Twelve such fires occurred in the Air Force in the past three years validating this year's national theme."

To educate the Davis-Monthan community, the fire department staff will have various events throughout the week.

"(We) will be hosting a number of events beginning next week and extending throughout the month of October," Mr. LeClair said. "Activities will range from public information displays, child car seat inspection, blood pressure checks at the

For more information ...

For more information on activities during fire prevention week or to schedule a class, an inspection, or a tour of the fire station, contact the Davis-Monthan Fire Department at 228-6025.

Base Exchange and Commissary, mini-musters at the elementary schools, static displays, and station tours throughout the base community. Base residents can call the Fire Prevention Office directly to request a personal home fire safety visit."

"Child safety seats are not directly related to fire prevention, but it is one of the many programs the fire department offers," said Peter Delillo, 355th CES Fire Prevention inspector. "Ensuring our families are safe in and outside of our homes is important. In addition to inspections, we can also give people car seats after attending the car seat safety class."

While at the schools, the fire department will show the children various aspects of fire prevention and will also have the opportunity to meet Sparky, the fire dog.

"(We) will provide safety briefings, show them the fire trucks, show them a firefighter dressed up in full gear and explain to them he is their friend and not to be afraid," Mr. LeClair said. "(We will also) conduct a mini-muster consisting of hose crawl, bunker gear relay, smoke detector drill, and provide them a variety of kid and adult fire prevention material to take home."

Spreading the word on fire prevention is the main objective of the events at D-M.

"It's the one special time of the year that we exhaust ourselves spreading the meaning of fire prevention through activities for kids and adults to take part in," Mr. LeClair said.



Use candles with care ...

Steps to prevent a fire:

- ◆ Make sure an adult is always in the room when a candle is burning.
- ◆ Never burn candles in bedrooms.
- ◆ Don't let teenagers burn candles in their rooms.
- ◆ Set up a 'kid-free' zone around burning candles: no playing with or near candles, with candle wax or with things that could catch fire near candles.
- ◆ Keep candles at least one foot away from anything that could catch on fire.
- ◆ Don't put candles in windows or doorways where the wind could knock them over, or blow things into them that could catch on fire.
- ◆ Use candleholders that won't tip over easily, are sturdy, and are big enough to catch any wax that drips from the candle.
- ◆ Don't let kids light candles.
- ◆ A grown-up should put out candles by using a snuffer or by blowing softly. Watch for splattering wax as it can burn.
- ◆ If the power goes out, use flashlights with extra batteries on hand.



Airmen begin to move into new D-M base housing

By Senior Airman Brandy Dupper-Macy
355th Wing Public Affairs

During a ribbon-cutting ceremony Sept. 28, a life support technician assigned to 55th Rescue Squadron and his family received keys to their new base house.

"We are so excited to finally move into our new home," said Senior Airman Villalobos. "We've watched this place go from nothing but flat desert to what is now a beautiful house. We can't wait to set everything up; especially our daughter's nursery. We really appreciate what the Air Force has done for our family."

Airman Villalobos, his wife, Amber, son Gabe, and newborn daughter, Natalie, moved into their new base house Sept. 29.

In addition to Airman Villalobos and his family, other families will start moving in.

"They will be moving in as the houses are completed," said Ruby Modica, 355th Civil Engineer Squadron Housing manager. "All houses are projected to be completed by Oct. 31. So people will be able to move in any time from

now through Nov. 4. The families that are projected to move into the new houses decide on the date they would like to move in."

The new homes offer many new additions in comparison to some of the houses Airmen currently live in.

"The new houses have more square feet (in accordance with new Air Force standards), two-car garages, modern kitchens (some have islands), interior and exterior storage and larger front porches," Ms. Modica said.

With all these additions, the need for more space was obvious.

The square footage ranges from more than 1,600 square feet for three-bedrooms and more than 2,000 square feet for four-bedrooms junior enlisted housing. Senior NCO three-bedrooms homes have more than 1,900 square feet and the four-bedrooms has more than 2,300 square feet.

"Of course, not everyone will be able to move into the new houses, but all of our houses are scheduled for renovation or replacement under privatization," Ms. Modica said. "The houses, which were built in 1996 and 2000, will all be renovated."



Photo by Airman First Class Christina Ponte

Col. Michael Spencer, 355th Wing commander, hands over the keys to Senior Airman Ramiro Villalobos, 55th Rescue Squadron, and his family, (from left to right) Natalie, Amber and Gabe, during the ribbon-cutting ceremony at their new base house.

(Editor's note: This is the final article from an ongoing series. Throughout the building process, the **Desert Airman** followed Airman Villalobos and his family as they waited for their new base house to be completed.)



Photo by Staff Sgt. Lanie McNeal

Military members being granted citizenship comprise the front row of a group of 67 individuals during a naturalization ceremony Sept. 30. Individuals raise their right hand and swear allegiance to the United States of America. This was the first naturalization ceremony ever conducted on Davis-Monthan Air Force Base. The 67 individuals originated in 22 other countries and gained their wish of becoming a United States citizen.

Citizen

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Countries of former nationalities represented at the ceremony included: Afghanistan, Antigua-Barbuda, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Brazil, Canada, People’s Republic of China, Chile, Dominican Republic, France, Germany, Haiti, Iran, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Russia, South Korea, Turkey and Thailand.

CRIME & Punishment

The following are some of the incidents the 355th Security Forces Squadron handled for the period of Sept. 16 through 30.

Civil incarceration:

Pima County Sheriff’s Department notified the Security Force Control Center that a staff sergeant assigned to the 12th Air Force was arrested for domestic violence and assault.

Civil incarceration:

The Pima County Sheriff’s Department notified the SFCC that a senior airman assigned to the 355th Component Maintenance Squadron was arrested for operating a vehicle with a suspended license and failure to appear for a scheduled court date.

Damage to government property:

A dependent spouse reported the window within the bus stop waiting area adjacent to Mustang and Lightning Drives was damaged. Investigation revealed the window was intentionally damaged, investigation is ongoing.

Damage to private property:

An airman reported damage to her vehicle. Investigation revealed on Sept. 19 unknown persons vandalized her vehicle with green paint, while parked at Building 4210. Investigation is ongoing.

Patrol response: malicious mischief

A security forces patrol reported a small fire

near Building 3219. Three individuals were seen running from the area, one of which was carrying a guitar case. The D-M Fire Department responded and extinguished the fire. Investigation revealed the fire was deliberately set using lighter fluid.

Patrol response: theft of government property

A captain reported theft of a refrigerator from his office located Building 74. The theft occurred during the weekend of Sept. 23 through 25.

Patrol response: theft of government property

A civilian reported a laptop computer had been stolen from Building 1630. The employee stated the computer was to be utilized by a contractor for a network problem. The computer was left unattended within an office.

Tickets issued:

(Sept. 16 through 30)

- ◆ Speeding: 14
- ◆ Using a cell phone while operating a vehicle: 1
- ◆ Failure to stop: 14
- ◆ Illegal parking: 8

Airmen save lives of Iraqi terrorist attack victims Sept. 29

By Maj. Robert Couse-Baker

332nd Air Expeditionary Wing Public Affairs

BALAD AIR BASE, Iraq — Shortly after terrorists set off a string of car bombs in the nearby town of Balad on Sept. 29, medical professionals



Photo by Staff Sgt. Shannon Kluge

An Air Force surgeon preps equipment for emergency surgery on Iraqis caught in the car bomb blasts that occurred Sept. 29 in the town of Balad. Victims of the attack were rushed here to the Air Force Theater Hospital.

at the Air Force Theater Hospital here prepared for an influx of severely injured patients.

“When we started unloading the first Army helicopter, I realized that everyone who came in was going to require an operation,” said Maj. (Dr.) Alan Murdock, chief trauma surgeon.

Working through the night and into the next day, the hospital’s staff would treat more than 29 Iraqi civilians, including three children. In all, the 19 military surgeons performed more than 80 procedures.

“This would have overwhelmed most level-1 trauma centers in the states,” said Col. (Dr.) Elisha Powell, commander of the 332nd Expeditionary Medical Group. “Not a single one of (the injured Iraqis) had minor injuries.”

As the wounded arrived, it was clear to the staff that prioritizing the care was going to mean the difference between life and death for many of the patients. Dr. Murdock quickly began assessing the patients’ injuries, then matched them with the most qualified and appropriate providers.

“We broke the surgeons down into teams, depending on the injuries,” he said.

Some teams had an orthopedic surgeon matched with an expert in repairing blood vessels. Because of the extent of the carnage, many of the hospital’s specialists would need to apply their specialties, including brain surgery. Others would focus on basic emergency lifesaving efforts.

“Whatever skills you have, you put them to best to use wherever they’re needed,” said Maj. Kim Sullivan, chief night nurse supervisor with the Australian army. His focus was tracking the big picture of patient and resource flow.

Like a juggler, Major Sullivan said, “You have to keep a lot of balls in the air at once.”

By the standards of any medical center — let alone one operating in tents and trailers in a war zone — there was a huge amount of activity. At times, there were as many as six simultaneous emergency operations.

“It’s the specific mix of people we have here that

made this work,” said Lt. Col. Bryan Angle, 332rd EMG ophthalmologist.

Most of the medical personnel had only been here a couple of weeks, including many deployed from Wilford Hall Medical Center in San Antonio. The team also included a tri-service contingent from the Australian army, air force and navy. Early on, the word went out on base for all medical people to report to the hospital, but it wasn’t necessary.

“When they heard all the helicopters, they just came to the hospital,” said Lt. Col. Donna Smith, 332rd EMG chief operating room nurse.

Colonel Smith said much of the success of the response was due to the “silent heroes,” those who mopped the floors and took out the trash — without being asked. Specifically, she cited the Airmen in central supplies who worked nonstop to keep clean the surgical instruments available for the huge number of operations.

The “silent heroes” were not just members of the hospital staff. Support from the rest of the base materialized wherever it was needed, she said.

“We didn’t have to ask for things like the food and water. It just appeared,” said Maj. (Dr.) James Johnson, chief of anesthesiology.

But sustenance for the staff was not the only thing that arrived on cue. One Iraqi victim needed a transfusion of the rare blood type AB positive. This did not become a problem, however, as donors stepped forward just minutes after the request went out.

“It was an honor to assist the host-nation health-care system. Iraqi hospitals took care of many more of the casualties than we did,” Dr. Powell said.

Despite the success of saving so many lives, many in the hospital expressed frustration that the insurgents are targeting innocent civilians, including women and children.

“This was a terrible event. But we feel fortunate to be able help heal some of the damage inflicted on our Iraqi neighbors,” Dr. Powell said.

(Information courtesy of Air Force Print News.)

Professional Enhancement Seminar teaches Airmen roles in Air Force

By Lt. Col. Cassie Barlow

355th Mission Support Squadron commander

A few short weeks ago, I wrote an article for the **Desert Airman** in which I described the overall Air Force effort to develop our force, we called “Force Development.”

I’d like to bring that concept home to Davis-Monthan this week by writing about how we are making Force Development happen right here on our own base.

Our goal of preparing our Airmen for the next leadership level has not changed. What has changed is the scope and the target of each course. We thought we could offer a better course to a wider group of Air Force members if we broadened our scope a little and focused a little more on Air Force Force Development Doctrine. Our courses are now more focused

on Total Force Development. Total Force Development is the way the Air Force refers to development of its officers, enlisted, civilians and reserve component.

We first examined the courses that previously offered to our D-M members, the Airmen Professional Development Course, the Flight Commanders Course and the NCO Enhancement Seminar.

Next, we brought together a team of officers, Airmen and civilians to discuss how we could make these courses more applicable to our total force. Then we drafted some syllabuses and took a shot.

What we came up with was the Professional Enhancement Seminar I, Professional Enhancement Seminar II and the Flight Commanders and Superintendent Course.

In the Professional Enhancement I

course, attendees (airmen first class, senior airmen, Government Service-5 and GS-6) will be focused on learning about themselves as leaders and how their leadership judgment can affect others.

The Air Force Doctrine says these should be focused on learning about themselves and their impact on others in roles as both follower and leaders.

In the Professional Enhancement II course, attendees (NCOs, GS 7 through 11 and lieutenants) will be focused on the broader Air Force perspective and the integration of diverse people and their capabilities to execute operations. At this level of leadership, a member transitions from being a specialist to understanding Air Force integration. These leaders should continue to develop their personal leadership while developing

institutional level competencies.

Next, in the Flight Commanders/Superintendent Course (senior NCOs, GS-12 and GS-13, lieutenants and captains) will be focused on learning about leadership at the flight level.

They will be taught about Air Force, Air Combat Command and D-M policies that will be important to their success as a flight commander or superintendent.

I encourage you to read and study AFDD 1-1 – Air Force Leadership and Force Development Doctrine, figure out which level of leadership you occupy and then start working on your competency development.

You will be learning more about competency development in your professional education courses in the near future ... right here at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base.

Award

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Some of his projects have yet to be put into action, but the planning is ready to go for the future Desert Lightning team.

One example is his work on the transformation of the old Base Exchange into the state-of-the-art professional development center.

When asked what it took to win the award, Mr. Krunschkle responded with, “Other than hard work?”

“Your job is always easy when leadership is backing you up,” he said. “An engineer from Barksdale Air Force Base, (La.), called me and asked me if I had any advise about how to become a better CE manager?” I told him it was easy when you have great people working for you ... you get all the support in the world from your boss and squadron all the way up to and including the wing commander.”

Mr. Krunschkle says working well with people has helped his success.

“I try to cultivate a friendly working relationship with 355th Communications Squadron and 355th Contracting Squadron, who I have to work with on a day-to-day basis,” he said.

He said his motivating factor for ex-

celling isn’t about winning awards, even though he has several under his belt.

“You can’t go to work looking to win awards,” he said. “I think if you put in an honest days work week-after-week, eventually your efforts will be noticed.”

Other awards:

The 355th Civil Engineer Squadron received the following from Air Combat Command:

◆ Outstanding Civil Engineer Civilian Manager:

Christopher Kruschke,

◆ Senior Master Sgt. Gerald J. Stryzak Award (Outstanding Explosive Ordnance Disposal Flight) and

◆ 355th Civil Engineer Squadron, Explosive Ordnance Disposal Flight

Runner-ups include:

◆ National Society of Professional Engineers Federal Engineer of the Year (Military category): Capt. Marc Tkach and

◆ Military Firefighter of the Year Award: Airman 1st Class Christopher Ashley



Photo by Airman 1st Class Christina Ponte

Eat up!

Airmen from Davis-Monthan Air Force Base get food during the Welcome Home Picnic Sept. 28 at the 79th Aircraft Maintenance Unit hangar. The purpose of the Welcome Home Picnic was to thank and recognize all Airmen who have deployed since Sept. 2004. In addition to food, Col. Michael Spencer, 355th Wing commander, said thank you to Airmen who have done “America’s work.”

Domestic Violence Awareness Month aims to reduce violence in homes

By Senior Brandy Dupper-Macy

355th Wing Public Affairs

Domestic violence is the leading cause of injury to women between the ages of 15 and 44 in the United States — more than car accidents, muggings, and rapes combined.

In addition to this fact from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, it is also estimated that a woman is battered every 15 seconds in the U.S.

With such a high number, Domestic Violence Awareness Month was established to raise awareness and reduce the numbers of those abused.

“Domestic Violence Awareness Month is observed every October,” said Marley Smith, 355th Medical Operations Squadron Family Advocacy outreach manager. “Its purpose is to make people aware of the nature, extent and consequences of domestic violence. Domestic violence is a major social problem that affects all segments of our society. Three to four million women are battered each year by intimate partners; it’s the most common reason women go to emergency rooms, and women have a 25 to 33 percent chance of being battered in their lifetimes and a 25 percent chance of being sexually assaulted in their lifetimes. Five to 10 percent of reports involve men being battered by women. So, it’s important that we be proactive in preventing domestic violence and helping victims.”

According to a Family Advocacy handout, domestic violence is an offense under the United States Code, the Uniform Code of Military Justice, or State law that involves the use, attempted use, or threatened use of force or violence against a person of the opposite sex, or a violation of a lawful order issued for the protection of a person of the opposite sex who is:

- ◆ A current or former spouse;
- ◆ A person with whom the abuser shares a child in common;
- ◆ A current or former intimate partner with whom the abuser shares or has shared common domicile.

There are four types of domestic abuse:

- ◆ Spouse physical abuse: Includes but not limited

to scratching, pushing, shoving, throwing, grabbing, biting, choking, shaking, slapping, hitting, restraining, use of weapons/objects, etc.

- ◆ Spouse sexual abuse: The use of physical force to compel the spouse to engage in a sexual act against his or her will, whether or not the act is completed.

- ◆ Spouse neglect: Deprivation, more than inconsequential physical injury, or reasonable potential for more than inconsequential injury resulting from capable spouse’s acts or omissions toward a spouse who is incapable of self care due to substantial limitations in physical, psychological, intellectual or cultural capacities.

- ◆ Spouse emotional abuse: Berating, disparaging, degrading, humiliating, interrogating, restricting ability to come and go freely, threatening, stalking, etc.

Some people are scared to tell someone that they are being abused, but watching for signs (listed in box) Airmen and family friends can help.

“All active-duty and civilian employees on a military installation are mandatory reporters,” Mr. Smith said. “That means that if they know or suspect that spouse or child maltreatment has occurred, they must report it to the Family Advocacy Officer or security forces. If the abuse is happening now, they should call 911 or security forces. The only exceptions to the mandatory reporting requirement are the clergy-penitent and lawyer-client relationship.”

“Patients come to Family Advocacy in a variety of ways,” said Michelle McLoughlin, 355th MDOS Family Advocacy treatment manager. Some are referred by previous patients, some are self referred, others are referred by their squadron, and some by other medical providers and/or Child Protective Services.”

“Right now we intervene in domestic violence with married couples only, but, in the near future, we will include other groups as well,” Mr. Marley said.

Throughout the month of October, Family Advocacy will also have silhouettes to share stories of domestic abuse victims.

“During the month we will also have the Purple Ribbon Campaign — we’ll have small buckets of purple lapel ribbons available at 10 locations on

the base,” Mr. Marley said. “Our Silent Witness silhouettes will be on a rotating display at the clinic, Community Center, Military Personnel Flight and library. We recommend that everyone stop by and read the biographies posted on the silhouettes.”

(Editor’s note: This is part one of a two-part series on domestic violence prevention month.)

Signs a friend may need help:

- ◆ When your friend and her or his partner are together, the abusive partner acts very controlling and puts your friend down in front of other people.
- ◆ You see the partner violently lose his or her temper, striking or breaking objects.
- ◆ The partner acts extremely jealous of others who pay attention to your friend.
- ◆ Your friend becomes quiet when his or her partner is around and seems afraid of making him or her angry.
- ◆ Your friend becomes more and more isolated, not seeing you or other friends.
- ◆ Your friend often has unexplained injuries or the explanations don’t quite add up.
- ◆ Your friend has casually mentioned the partner’s violent behavior but dismissed what happened as “not a big deal.”
- ◆ Your friend often cancels plans the last minute.
- ◆ The partner controls your friend’s finances, his or her behavior and even who she or he socializes with.
- ◆ Your friend’s child is frequently upset or very quiet and withdrawn and won’t say why.

(Information courtesy of the 355th Wing Family Advocacy. To report domestic abuse, contact the Family Advocacy during normal duty hours at 228-2104. If after duty hours, call 911 or the 355th Security Forces Squadron at 228-3517.)

Final Answer

What is your favorite memory from your Air Force experiences?



**Master Sgt.
Robert Hughes**
563rd Rescue Group

“I met President George H. W. Bush while I was in the desert.”



**Maj.
Belinda Doherty**
355th Medical Group

“I was deployed to Kuwait. It was my first time being deployed and it let me put to use all the training I had received during my career.”



**Master Sgt.
Elbert Brembry**
357th Fighter Squadron

“Deploying in support of Desert Storm was the most exciting.”



**Senior Airman
James Menden**
355th Aircraft
Maintenance Squadron

“I deployed to Afghanistan and Kuwait. I got to see the real-world aspect of the military and what they do in remote areas of the world.”



**Airman
Mathew Denney**
355th Services Squadron

“So far it’s been starting to travel around the United States, hopefully with more to come.”



**Staff Sgt.
Deneika Vance**
563rd Maintenance
Squadron

“My most memorable moment was when I was stationed at Ghedi Air Base in Italy because I enjoyed the culture.”

Meeting Americans’ expectations through excellence

By Col. Scott Van Valkenburg
355th Medical Group commander

I recently listened to a discussion on a national talk show about the strenuous demands the military puts on its recruits during basic training.

The caller felt the training was too demanding and resulted in the loss of potentially good military members. As I listened, I first had flashbacks to the pains of my own basic training experience and then debated the caller’s comments.

While basic training is difficult, it certainly finds out who is serious about entering the military. More importantly, I thought, isn’t that what the American public wants?

The American public wants to know that the men and women who have the responsibility of defending their way of life are committed to service in the military and are willing to make the ultimate sacrifice.

Americans expect Airmen to be extraordinary, possessing those qualities of determination, leadership, commitment and a resolve to always get the mission done that the general public doesn’t have.

Without these qualities, Airmen will fail in their jobs and fail to provide Americans what

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— Col. Scott Van Valkenburg
355th Medical Group commander

they desire, a feeling of security that others are protecting them as they go about their work.

This requirement to be extraordinary is a lot of responsibility for Airmen and one that some fail to strap on.

Those Airmen move on to other jobs in life and another Airman moves into their place. Airmen need to continuously train and study to be the best they can be at their job.

Airmen are tasked to deploy at a moment’s notice, go into harm’s way and leave family behind, while never lose focus on the task at hand. Airmen know that their Wingman depends on it.

The need to be extraordinary does not end as an Airmen drive out the front gate or when Airman take off the uniform and engage with the local community in various activities. Airmen are always Airmen, 24-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week.

Airmen who neglect to realize this requirement risk the loss of support from the American public and fail their Wingman. I hear many times of Airmen who lose their lives in ground fatalities.

The majority of these fatalities were the result of negligence on the Airman’s part, alcohol use, failure to wear seatbelts and excessive speed.

Airmen must realize that when they fail to act in a responsible manner at any time, in any situation when outside the fence line they are telling the American public that they don’t have what it takes to warrant America’s admiration and respect for their extraordinary qualities.

Is this a difficult responsibility? Yes it is.

Do we make mistakes? Yes we do.

No one is perfect but we have to learn from those mistakes and the mistakes of others.

We have to remember, no matter where we are, no matter what we are doing, we are Airmen in the greatest Air Force in the world, defending the greatest country.

A lot of responsibility to strap on? You bet.



Sonoran Spotlight

*(Editor's note: Sonoran Spotlight is a weekly feature of the **Desert Airman** that profiles a member — officer, enlisted or civilian — of Davis-Monthan Air Force Base.)*

This week's Sonoran Spotlight is Staff Sgt. Ron D'Andrea, 355th Wing. Sergeant D'Andrea currently works protocol for the 355th Wing, but is a firefighter by trade. According to his supervisor, Heike Smith, he was nominated for the spotlight because he "is a wealth of knowledge and is professional in any situation."

The following are Sergeant D'Andrea's responses to a variety of questions.

Why did you join the Air Force? I actually was going to join the Marines, however the recruiter was out. The guy in blue down the hall offered me a place to wait and here I am.

Best aspect of the job: The best aspect of my job is to know that I have earned the confidence of my boss and though she oversees me, I am empowered to do my job.

Hobbies, outside activities: Coaching my daughter's soccer team and hiking with my family.

What do you like the best about D-M?

I would have to say all the different people throughout the base I work with, without them my job would be impossible.

What has been your best assignment and why? A bare base in Jordan; it showed me and the folks I deployed with what we were made of.

If you were an Air Force recruiter, what



Photo by 1st Lt. Beth Tucker

would you tell people? The only limits you have are the ones you place on yourself.

Who inspires you and why? My wife; between temporary duty assignments and no matter how many days a week or hours in a day I am working, she keeps our family together.

September Sharp Troop Winners

Congratulations to the following Airmen who were recognized by the Chief's Group as outstanding Airmen for their projection of a professional appearance, outstanding bearing and exceptional professionalism:

Staff Sgt. Jahnathon Larson,
355th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron;

Tech. Sgt. David Haycraft,
355th Component Maintenance Squadron;

Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Bacon,
355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron;

Staff Sgt. Francis Schlick, Jr.,
355th EMS;

Tech. Sgt. Ventrus Boyd,
355th Maintenance Operations Squadron;

Staff Sgt. Hollis Durham,
474th Operations Group and

Staff Sgt. Sarah Benson,
755th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron.

Spirits haunt the “Boneyard”

By Rob Raine
AMARC Public Affairs

October seems like an appropriate month to talk about ghosts and spirits and things that go bump in the Boneyard at night (or day).

AMARC has its share of ghosts stored row-on-row across 2,600 acres of desert.

While aircraft storage may not be the Center’s high profit activity – parts reclamation and aircraft regeneration claim those top posts – storage is certainly the most visible and the one that has long given AMARC its nickname . . . The Boneyard.

While every one of the Center’s 4,300 aircraft and aerospace vehicles have a story, some of their stories are a bit more exotic than others. For example, the Center’s oldest aircraft, an orange and silver EB-57B, resides out on display row. The aircraft first flew in 1952-53, one of 22 B-57B ‘Night Intruder’ models modified for the electronic counter measures role with the Air National Guard. It now serves as a winged parts warehouse, supporting WB-57s still in service with NASA.



AMARC’s oldest aircraft, EB-57B 52-1506

The Navy A-6 Intruder medium bomber which starred as Danny Glover’s aircraft in the film *Flight of the Intruder* rests silently out in area one. The guy who actually flew in the movie was Attack Squadron 196’s commanding officer, Navy Commander William “Otis” Shurtleff.



Danny Glover’s A-6 from “Flight of the Intruder”

Two rows north of Display Row in Area five, resides the Navy’s (now Air Force’s) ski-equipped LC-130F



Flying Dutchman? gondola of Navy radar blimp ZPG-3W

“Phoenix.” The aircraft flew resupply missions to Antarctica. During take-off returning from one such mission, a JATO bottle disconnected, smashing through the number two engine and propeller, causing “Phoenix” to crash on the ice. Although no one was seriously injured, “Phoenix” remained buried in the frozen desert for 17 years before the Navy decided to resurrect it from its icy tomb. Phoenix flew again . . . for another 10 years before retiring to AMARC.

Polish-built MiG fighters from the 50s, 60’s and 70’s haunt the back fence of Area 20. Belonging to the National Museum of the United States Air Force, the MiGs (or, to be strictly accurate, LiMs) await the day when they’ll be traded to an air museum or collector for display.

Just north of the MiGs, the Smithsonian Institution, National Air and Space Museum’s “blimp” gondola

floats on a sea of sand rather than air. The gondola once served the Navy as crew area for ZPG-3W, a radar airship guarding the U.S. West Coast in the closing days of WWII.

The fifth Boeing 727 airliner built, another Smithsonian artifact, also haunts display row. Wearing United Airlines colors, the 727 should eventually end up at the National Air and Space Museums satellite facility near Dulles Airport in Washington, DC.

In the early 1950s the Air Force developed a series of triple-digit fighters nicknamed “The Century Series.” Of the ten aircraft accorded Century status, three, the XF-103, XF-108 and XF-109, never moved beyond the design phases. The

F-107A was built in very limited numbers, but the rest enjoyed long and successful careers. AMARC now hosts five of them, an F-100F, an F-101B, F-105G, and a QF-106A all parked along display row. But wait, that’s only four. Where’s number five?

Number five is AMARC’s most numerous aircraft. Before the services consolidated their numbering systems, the Air Force F-4C Phantom carried the designation F-110A “Spectre.” Navy and Marine Corps aviators initially flew the F-4H-1 which became the F-4B Phantom.

Those are just a few of many aircraft spirits



USMC KC-130F “800” appropriate to the season

haunting the Boneyard. AMARC receives dozens of e-mails each month from airmen young and old, from all branches of the armed service, asking



F-4 Phantoms, AMARC’s most numerous “spectres”

about “their old plane.” Most often we can answer their questions, tell them what happened to the plane, or where it currently resides within the Center. Sometime we can even add a picture.

Of course, the *real* spirits of AMARC come, not from the planes themselves, but from the men and women who once flew and maintained them and from the men and women of AMARC who preserve, store, reclaim, and regenerate them today.

The AMARC Environment: vigilance equals excellence

Col Tony Panek,
AMARC Commander

Congratulations AMARC for another superb result on our recent ESOHCAMP inspection. Official results should be out after press time, but our initial feedback indicates this year's environmental inspection results are the best AMARC has ever received.

We all play a role in maintaining our environment, it's a shared responsibility. These inspection results demonstrate that our AMARC team understands that responsibility. As good stewards of our environment we contribute not only to the overall health of our AMARC workforce, but also to the health of our surrounding community.

Yet, good stewardship requires constant vigilance. Even with a positive result on the inspection, the inspection team pointed out four findings that require our attention – and we're already working to set those right.

Air quality, water quality, industrial wastewater discharges, spill prevention, pollution prevention, storm-water runoff and management of hazardous waste are current and future challenges. This is not to say that we are not in compliance, but rather, increased



emphasis is being placed on these program areas.

We live in an era where environmental regulations and policies routinely change, sometimes making compliance seem difficult. Common sense goes a long way in achieving and maintaining our environmental leadership role. We know that spills should be reported and cleaned up, we know we should not allow the improper disposal of chemicals into the wastewater system, we know that hazardous waste and unused hazardous materials should not be disposed of in dumpsters or “dumped while no one is looking.” We should never question our commitment to environmental quality. We should not consider environmental leadership a burden, rather an opportunity to further demonstrate our commitment to excellence.

So think of our commitment to the environment as a continuous process improvement, an ongoing environmental Lean event, if you will. We have command direction to reduce our “footprint” in all areas of environmental quality. We measure the pollutants our mission emits into the air we all breathe, we take great care not to pollute the groundwater we drink, we recycle many different types of materials, we control hazardous materials we use, thus reducing the hazardous waste we generate. In doing so we reduce our overall operating costs and, to some degree, limit the risk of chemical exposure to our workforce and neighbors.

We should also consider the punitive results associated with non-compliance. We are routinely inspected (no-notice) by the Pima County Department

of Environmental Quality (PDEQ), Pima County Waste Water Management (PCWWM), the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ), and are subject to inspections by the federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Any of these agencies have the authority to issue Notices of Violation (NOV) for non-compliance. These government entities also have various enforcement options that can result in monetary fines or direction to cease operations until such time corrective action can be accomplished. They can also levy enforcement actions against individuals who knowingly and/or willfully violate regulatory requirements. These can include fines or criminal indictments.

At AMARC, we have established a solid foundation for our environmental compliance program. We now need to focus our attention on the protection of the environment as the right thing to do. Environmental leadership is a part of everyone's job, from the top down. It should be part of our vision, included in our goals, and considered equally with safety, quality, production, cost, and customer satisfaction.

Keep up the fine work, and stay vigilant.

A special **“Well Done”** to AMARC's Environmental Manager, Mike Wilson, for a superb job in coordinating and supervising the Center's overall environmental program.

Touring AMARC: Up close and personal with the spirits of aviation

By Rob Raine
AMARC Public Affairs



Pima Air & Space Museum entry on Valencia Rd.

Once upon a time, Davis-Monthan Air Force Base handled tours of AMARC. Active duty airmen and their civilian counterparts served as voluntary tour guides. Visitors signed up in advance, boarded an Air Force bus, and set out for a jaunt through the Center.

Difficulties plagued the system. The public demand for tours consumed so much time, the

DM public affairs shop could not effectively conduct their day-to-day duties. In 1997 15,000 visitors toured AMARC, but 33,000 potential visitors had to be turned away for lack of capacity, layering unnecessary challenges onto the community relations program. Foreign visitors had to accomplish so many approval steps, few of them ever had the opportunity to see the Center.

Innovation deriving from need, AMARC and DM sought a better way to serve their community. Enter the Pima Air and Space Museum with a winning bid for a permit to operate tours of AMARC at no cost to the Air Force. As a non-profit, 501C(3) educational institution

with a significant volunteer force of knowledgeable aircraft enthusiasts already in place, Pima made an ideal partner.

Weekly tours jumped from between three and nine per week to five each day – 25 per week. In the first year of operation, Pima provided the 50-minute tours for 33,000 visitors, and they’ve averaged 22,000 to 25,000 visitors ever since. Pima charges a small fee to cover their cost for the tour bus, driver and fuel. Volunteer “docents” provide visitors with a in-depth description of the aircraft on display, and help to foster a clear understanding of AMARC’s mission and the Center’s return on taxpayers’ investments.

Since January of this year, Pima has provided tours for nearly 18,000 visitors. Information about the Pima tours is available at the Pima Air and Space Museum website: www.pimaair.org. A block on lower screen left addresses tours. Or call the Museum at (520) 618-4800 for AMARC tour reservations.

As many as 50 guests per bus can visit AMARC during daily tours of the Center offered through a partnership with the Pima Air and Space Museum. Here a tour bus slows to allow passengers to photograph the B-52G on Display Row near the Hospital Gate.



Fire! Fire! Fire!

How to get down 18 floors, 110 feet from ATC tower

By 1st Lt. Beth Tucker
355th Wing Public Affairs

The fire alarm goes off. Securing classified information and getting out of the building is the top priority for most in other buildings around base.

But when the fire alarm goes off 110 feet above the ground in the Davis-Monthan Air Traffic Control Tower, the planes still in the air remain the top priority.

"The number one duty is to the aircraft up there ... regardless if the tower is on fire or not," said 1st Lt. J.S. "Woody" Szulewski, 355th Operations Squadron acting airfield operations flight commander.

The 355th Operations Support Squadron and 355th Civil Engineer Squadron tested the reaction of both the air traffic controllers and the fire department with an exercise Sept. 28.

"This was the first time we've done a full exercise with the fire department testing the response time and reaction that we say we can do on paper," Lieutenant Szulewski said.

As soon as the fire alarm sounds, the controllers in the building determine where the fire is located and make the first call with the crash net letting the fire department know of the fire and how they are evacuating.

After making notifications to

Terminal Radar Approach Control and on the local frequency letting everyone in the air know who to contact for air traffic control, everyone evacuates the cab and steps outside onto the catwalk.

The exercise simulated a fire in the equipment room that blocked the stairs of the tower. Being eight flights above the ground, controllers in the cab of the tower have only one choice when the stairs are blocked ... the Baker Life Chute.

The most senior person connects the chute at the top and sends the chute to the ground, Lieutenant Szulewski said. Once the fire department arrives on scene they connect the end to two yellow poles and give a thumbs up to those at the top that it is safe to come down.

"It's more of a test of the chute," Lieutenant Szulewski said. Sending in core samples to the chute designer, Ralph Baker, the test is done every six months.

"The net is constructed with 66 load-bearing cords of heavy-duty, braided nylon," said Mr. Baker during a training session in 2003. "That gives the chute a combined gross tensile strength in excess of 84,000 pounds. You couldn't fit enough people into the chute to extend that strength."

Ultimately, the Baker Life Chute gives the air traffic controllers keeping those in the sky safe a way to get to the ground during an emergency.



Tech. Sgt. Dale Sickles, 355th Operations Support Squadron, finishes sliding down 110 feet to the bottom of the Baker Life Chute from the catwalk of the air traffic control tower. Airmen slide down the chute feet first with their hands either across their chest or above their heads. A person controls their speed while sliding to the bottom by spreading their feet to create more friction and slide slower.



Photos by Staff Sgt. Matthew Lohr

The Baker Life Chute, created by Ralph Baker, is deployed from the Davis-Monthan air traffic control tower Sept. 28 for Airmen in the tower's cab to use to evacuate the building in an emergency that blocks the stairs. When deployed, the Baker Life Chute stretches more than 200 feet to ensure the angle at the end of the chute will slow the forward movement of the person sliding down.

Hispanics in uniform

By Capt. Tony Wickman
Alaskan Command
Public Affairs

Across

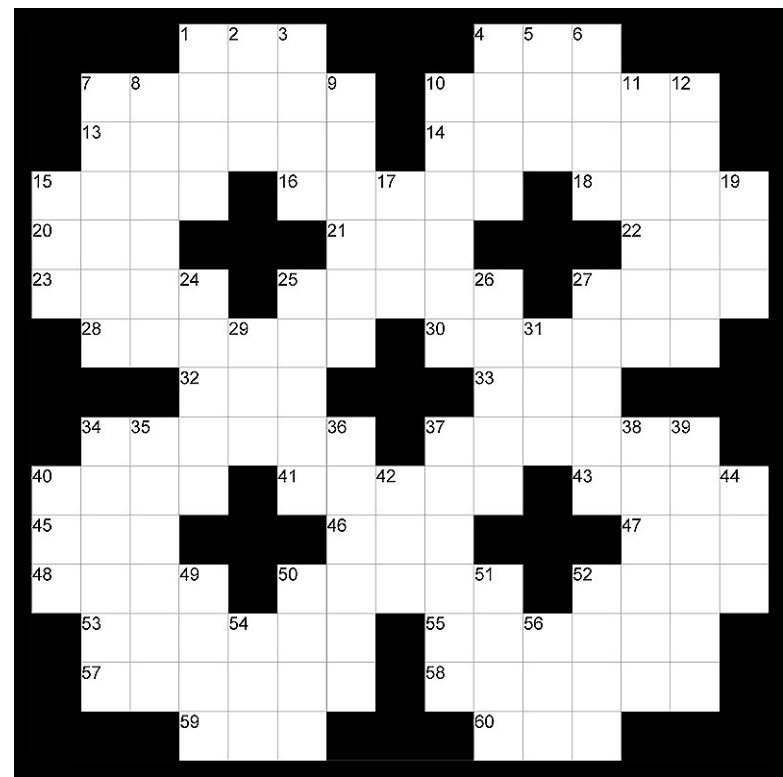
- 1. Southern state, in short
- 4. Mandible
- 7. Briefcase
- 10. Chests
- 13. Bickered
- 14. Cloister
- 15. Killer whale
- 16. Cognizant
- 18. Leg joint
- 20. Tiger Woods' org.
- 21. Model Carol
- 22. German city
- 23. Map maker ____-Mc-Nally
- 25. More parched
- 27. Prehistoric stone or metal tool; chisel, ax head
- 28. Burned
- 30. Cheerfully
- 32. Large tub
- 33. USAF restricted area badge grade category
- 34. Undercoat, in painting
- 37. Economize

- 40. Dry
- 41. Cowboy competition
- 43. BG ____ R. Esteves; first Puerto Rican West Point graduate
- 45. Gun the engine
- 46. Prohibit
- 47. Sen. counterpart
- 48. Civil War icon John Lincoln ____; Drummer Boy of Chickamauga
- 50. USA Capt. Euripides ____; Vietnam-era MoH recipient
- 52. Printing measurement
- 53. Eye parts
- 55. Passport
- 57. Hammer
- 58. Bar seats
- 59. Popeye's girl Olive
- 60. Approves, in short

Down

- 1. Aquatic, eukaryotic, photosynthetic organism
- 2. Charlie's Angels actress Lucy
- 3. On a ship
- 4. Pvt. ____ P. Martinez; first

- WWII Hispanic MoH recipient
- 5. Burn residue
- 6. Grind
- 7. USMC Maj. Jay R. ____, Jr.; Vietnam-era MoH recipient
- 8. Ancient
- 9. ____Hidalgo; first Hispanic SECNAV (1979)
- 10. Trade
- 11. Capt. ____ J. Fernandez; USAF aerial ace (14.5 kills-Korea)
- 12. Odorous
- 15. USAF officer eval
- 17. Boxing legend
- 19. Medic, in short
- 24. Hispanic __ G. Farragut; first Admiral of the U.S. Navy
- 25. Dissuade
- 26. USA Warrant Officer Louis R. ____; Vietnam-era MoH recipient
- 27. Courteous
- 29. Sign of Aries
- 31. Title for male officer
- 34. Early round, as in a



(Solutions can be found on Page 25.)

- tournament
 - 35. Adm. Horacio ____; first Hispanic four-star USN admiral
 - 36. Fit
 - 37. Sequence
 - 38. American writer Rukeyser; The Gates (1944)
 - 39. Slices
- 40. Circle part
 - 42. Clump
 - 44. Health resort
 - 49. Venus de ____
 - 50. Fishing gear need
 - 51. Atop
 - 52. Experts
 - 54. Cunning
 - 56. Alaska town

Physical training uniforms for sale to all Airmen

Story and photo by 1st Lt. Beth Tucker
355th Wing Public Affairs

While all Airmen have become accustomed to the new physical-training routine, Airmen at D-M will look a bit different doing it now. The purchasing restriction for the Air Force PT gear for sale at the Base Exchange has been lifted, so all Airmen may now purchase the uniform.

The Air Force released the uniform in October 2004, but only those deploying were allowed to purchase the uniform as part of the two-to-three year phase-in period that the Air Force Uniform Board expected.

No Air Force-wide suspense date has been set for all Airmen to have the uniforms, but everyone is encouraged to make the purchase.

"Do not delay procuring at least one set of PT gear and get out and put some sweat marks on it," said Col. Cesar Rodriguez, 355th Mission Support Group Commander.

The sign above the uniforms in the Military Clothing Store in the Base Exchange warning customers that deployment orders must be presented to purchase the uniforms has been removed.

"We can predict demand, but we are stocking up for an expected rush," said Darryl Porter, Army Air Force Exchange Service, Davis-Monthan Base Exchange general manager. "It takes us two weeks to re-stock a sold-out item, if the item is available at the Defense Supply Center, Philadelphia. Currently, DSCP is in stock on all Air Force PT uniform sizes."

Just as with other Air Force uniforms, Airmen are encouraged to take their time in ensuring they properly fit

"Some customers say shorts run one to two sizes small, but the t-shirts fit correctly," Mr. Porter said. "We encourage trying on the entire outfit to ensure the right sizes are purchased."

The clothing allowance for enlisted Airmen was increased to account for the new uniform.

"If the allowance has been provided, compliance is not an option," Colonel Rodriguez said. "If in doubt, address this issue with your supervisor, first sergeant and commander."

One benefit that is being provided has been a reduced cost in the uniforms as of Saturday.

Before, a complete uniform consisting of two



Dawn Beavan, Army Air Force Exchange Services, hands 1st Lt. Dawn Bethelmy, 355th Comptroller Squadron, her new physical-training uniforms.

shirts, two pairs of shorts one jacket and one pair of pants was \$141. Now, the complete uniform costs \$129.35.

The following is a breakdown on how much each piece costs as of the change Saturday:

- ◆ Shorts: \$11.15,
- ◆ Shirt: \$6.40,
- ◆ Jacket: \$57.30 and
- ◆ Pants: \$36.95.

Knowing how to properly wear the uniform is important for all Airmen to keep in mind.

In addition to the uniform wear regulations set when the uniform was introduced, Air Force officials have recently issued guidance for the wear of headphones while wearing the official physical training uniform.

Airmen dressed in the PT uniform are authorized to wear headphones while participating in personal fitness and other off-duty activities said officials at the Air Force Personnel Center.

However, headphones cannot be worn in formation, during organized unit physical-training sessions or while performing official duties.

Commanders may further deny headphone wear if conditions are determined to be unsafe, such as people running near vehicle traffic where such wear would limit hearing or awareness of surroundings. They may also disallow headphone use because of operational requirements, officials said.

(Information courtesy Air Force Personnel Center News Service.)

Uniform regulations reminder

The following are the regulations of wear for the official Air Force physical training uniform:

- ◆ Any combination of physical-training uniform items may be worn together (jacket with T-shirt and shorts, T-shirt with shorts or pants); the physical training uniform items must not be worn with any civilian clothing.
- ◆ Air Force T-shirt (short- or long-sleeved style) must be worn tucked into shorts.
- ◆ Jacket must be at least half zipped, and hood must be stored and zipped when not worn.
- ◆ Pants must be zipped at the legs.
- ◆ Spandex shorts and leggings (navy blue, or black) may be worn under PT shorts (full-length leggings may be worn during cold weather).
- ◆ White socks must be worn; ankle, or calf length (small logos are alright on the socks).
- ◆ Shoes must be a conservative color.
- ◆ Hats are not required when wearing the PT uniform, but if optional organizational hats are worn, commanders must standardize.
- ◆ Saluting is not required when performing PT activities, but is required regardless of uniform type when not performing PT activities and when meeting individuals displaying appropriate rank.
- ◆ Hair must be neat and cannot hang loose below the collar; long hair must be tied back.
- ◆ Requirement for reflective belt is at the discretion of the squadron commander.
- ◆ Body art standards apply.
- ◆ Jewelry wear will follow normal uniform wear rules, keeping safety in mind.
- ◆ Wear policy for deployed locations is at the discretion of the theater commander.

Sports Shorts

New aerobics classes

The D-M Sports and Fitness Center has begun offering three new classes for the Desert Lightning team.

The following classes are new and cost \$2:

- ◆ Kickboxing: Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 6 to 6:45 a.m.
- ◆ Senior circuit: Tuesday and Friday from 10 to 10:45 a.m.
- ◆ Step/total body conditioning:

Tuesday and Thursday from 5 to 5:45 p.m.

Weightlifting Competition

The D-M Fitness and Sports center is hosting a weightlifting competition for men and women Oct. 21, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. The event is open to anyone 18 or older. The competition will consist of bench press, squat, and dead lift. Participants can register (no fee) at the Fitness and Sports Center front desk center by Oct. 20. For more information, call 228-0022.

Ghosts And Ghouls 5k Run

The Fitness and Sports Center will host a Ghosts and Ghouls 5K run Oct. 21 at 7 a.m. Registration starts at 6:30 a.m. on Sunglow Road near the Swan Road Gate. The run is free and water will be provided.

Golf course over seeding

Due to annual over seeding, the Blanchard Golf Course will be closed Oct. 11 through Oct. 22. The Eagles Nest will be open for breakfast and lunch. The grill opens at 5:30 a.m. and closes at 3 p.m.

Personal trainer

Looking for the right fitness program? The D-M Fitness and Sports Center has a personal trainer, Carlos Lannos, who does one-on-one fitness and instruction counseling. With training on personalizing fitness programs for every individual, Mr. Lannos will learn about each person and design a unique program for each person that fits their lifestyle.

For more information, or to make an appointment with Mr. Lannos, please call 228-0022 or 228-0021.

Losing weight pound by pound

Weight loss challenge participants weigh in for team rankings

Story and photo by 1st Lt.
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Two months into the Fitness and Weight Loss Challenge, the pounds are being lost and the Desert Lightning team is getting into better shape.

Eight teams started with nine to eleven team members. Each team member weighs in once a month to contribute to the overall weight loss for their group. Every month the teams are ranked based on the percentage of the weight lost of the group's original weight.

All of the groups have lost participants in the last month due to deployments, permanent change of station moves, etc., said Cesar Vinueza, 355th Aerospace Medicine Squadron base fitness program manager.

"Every person who left the program was very upset and disappointed that they were not going to be able to continue," Mr. Vinueza said.

The percentage of weight loss is found with the original weight at the beginning of the program minus the weight of those who left the program.

In August, Mr. Vinueza said that he was confident that the teams would show even more progress during the next weigh in.

As of Sept. 30, the participants have lost a total of 165 pounds through boot camp classes and proper eating.

The overall program encourages participants to conduct a healthier lifestyle with the support of the team and the goal to contribute to the team's ranking

The program has one month left until its completion and the championship team is named.

"I strongly believe that if the current participants can hang in there with the program, they will without a doubt continue losing not just weight but also inches and percent body fat," Mr. Vinueza said.



Participants of the Fitness and Weight Loss Challenge do a variety of drills during the Fitness Boot Camp class Monday morning. Participants in the program are divided into eight teams. Each month, members of the team weigh in to contribute to the team's overall percentage of weight lost.

Rankings

The following are the rankings for the month of September and the percentage of weight lost since Aug. 1:

1. Scalebusters (Team 1) 3.7
2. Victory (Team 8) 1.3

3. Lightning Bolt (Team 6) 1.2
4. Dignity (Team 3) 1.2
5. Fantastics (Team 2) 1.1
6. Endurance (Team 5) .8
7. Vipers (Team 7) .4
8. Perseverance (Team 4) .4

Air Force taking applications for overseas study

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — The Air Force is offering the opportunity for graduate study overseas for two years to at least 10 to 12 line officers through the Olmsted Scholar Program. Those selected will begin study for the 2006-2007 school year.

The Olmsted Selection Board is scheduled to convene in December and will nominate 15 candidates to the Olmsted Scholar Foundation Board for final selection at the board of directors' forum to be conducted in March.

Program participants will gain an in-depth understanding of a foreign language and culture so they will be knowledgeable and sensitive to the viewpoints and concerns of people around the world as they progress within their Air Force career. Program applicants do not have to be familiar with the country's lan-



guage to be eligible to apply and compete for study in that country.

The program involves cultural immersion by an officer and their family (if applicable), as well as study at a university in the native language. Officials are selecting officers with demonstrated leadership and scholastic abilities.

Applicants must be an active-duty line officer with between three and 11 years of commissioned service, and no more than 11 years' total service by April 1, 2006.

Officers must have at least a 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale for their undergraduate degree. They must have achieved at least

a 550 on each portion (verbal and quantitative) on the Graduate Record Examination. Finally, they must have scored at least a 110 on the Defense Language Aptitude Battery.

Language training (up to a year) will be provided prior to or in conjunction with overseas assignment.

Every effort is made by the services and the faculty at the Defense Language Institute to allow a scholar's spouse to take language training on a space-available basis.

Applicants selected as Air Force nominees to the Olmsted board should have their spouses take the Defense Language Aptitude Battery and Defense Language Proficiency

Test if their spouses are proficient in a foreign language.

All applications must arrive here by Nov. 18.

Applicants should send completed applications to the following address: HQ AFPC/DPAFE, 550 C Street West, Ste 36, Randolph AFB, TX 78150-4734.

Participants in the Olmsted Scholar Program incur an active-duty service commitment equal to three times the length of training spent in graduate study in a foreign country, effective upon completion of this assignment.

Application procedures can be obtained from the officer developmental education Web site at <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/fdso/Olmsted.htm> or from local military personnel flight customer service personnel.

For more program information, visit the Olmsted Foundation Web site at www.olmstedfoundation.org.

Chapel Information

Services and activities offered by the D-M chapel are listed below. For more information on Jewish or Muslim services; Sunday School programs; Vacation Bible School; Bible studies; youth groups; and ministries, call 228-5411.

Worship schedule

Catholic

- ◆ Saturday Mass is at 5 p.m. at Desert Dove.
- ◆ Sunday Mass is at 9:45 a.m. at Desert Dove.

Protestant

- ◆ Traditional service is Sunday at 8:30 a.m. at Hope Chapel.
- ◆ Desert Lightning Fellowship (contemporary) is Sunday at 11:15 a.m. at Desert Dove Chapel.
- ◆ Gospel Service is Sunday at 11:15 a.m. at Hope Chapel.
- ◆ Sunday School classes are held for all ages from 9:45 to 1:45 a.m. in both the Hope and Desert Dove chapels.
- ◆ Children's Church is held weekly starting at 11:30 a.m. for both the Gospel and Desert Lightning services.

Too much month at the end of the money?

Financial Peace University is Dave Ramsey's life-changing 13-week program on personal finance. The FPU is a faith-based accountability class that teaches and trains servicemen and women to manage their resources and better provide for themselves and their families.

Mr. Ramsey's personal experience, humor, and high-energy presentation directs participants down the road to financial peace. Participants will learn how to:

- ◆ Stop living paycheck to paycheck;

- ◆ Make a budget that you will understand and actually use;
- ◆ Get out of debt and stay that way;
- ◆ Communicate with your spouse about finances;
- ◆ Invest with confidence and build your wealth and
- ◆ Change the financial future.

Classes are every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Desert Dove chapel. For more information, or to sign up for the program, call the D-M Chapel.

Family Support Center

For more information on programs and services provided by the Family Support Center, call 288-5690.

Hearts Apart Welcome Home Banners

Come join the fun Oct. 12 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Hope Chapel by making a banner to welcome home Airmen from deployments. All supplies are furnished.

Registration is required no later than Oct. 11. Free pizza and refreshments are provided. For more information, or to register, call the Family Support Center.

Time For Tots

The next Time for Tots will be held Wednesday, Oct. 12 and 19 at Desert Dove Chapel from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Come and meet other parents while the children enjoy fun activities.

Pre-separation counseling

This class will take place at the FSC Tuesday and Oct. 18 from 9 to 10 a.m. This is mandatory

for military members and will acquaint departing members with services and agencies available to help transition to the civilian workforce. The class size is limited to 20 attendees and should be scheduled no later than 90 days before separating or retiring.

Right Start Base Orientation

Right Start Base Orientation is designed to welcome all newcomers to Davis-Monthan and the Tucson area.

Leadership and base agencies discuss a variety of programs and services available. The next orientation is Tuesday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at The Mirage Officers' Club.

Free childcare is available thru the Permanent Change of Station Childcare Program. Childcare must be arranged ahead of time by calling the Family Support Center.

Education Services

For more information on programs and services provided by the Base Training and Education Services, call Norma White at 228-4249, or Rafael Maldonado at 228-3484.

College Bookstore

The Bookstore will be available for the on-base Term V at Bldg 3200, Room 264 from Tuesday to Oct. 18. Hours are:

- ◆ Tuesday through Oct. 14: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.,
- ◆ Oct. 17: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and
- ◆ Oct. 18, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The bookstore is not open on the weekends. The bookstore's phone number is 228-1160. and has been operating since Oct. 1.

Officer Training School board
The next Officer Training School selection board will meet Jan. 9. This is an all programs board. The Board will consider applicants for both rated and non-rated positions. Deadline for applications to the Education Center is Dec. 7. For more information, call the Education Office.

Education fair
An education fair will be held at the Mirage Officers' Club Nov. 21 at 3 p.m. The fair will follow the Community College of the Air Force Graduation. On-base and local schools will be in attendance providing information about their degree programs.

CCAF graduation
The Community College of the Air Force Fall 2005 graduation class is the largest to date, graduating 180 military personnel. The CCAF graduation ceremony will be held Nov. 21, starting at 2 p.m. at the Mirage Officers' Club. CCAF Graduates will receive further instructions from the Base Training and Education Services office.

Officer PME re-testing policy
The three Professional Military Education Colleges for officers, Air War College, Air Command and Staff College and Squadron Officer's School, have the same policy for retesting. All three colleges require a student failing one exam to wait three days before retesting.

Ineligible school
New York Law School, located at 57 Worth St., New York, New York, has been determined by the Secretary of Defense that it is not in compliance with Department of Defense regulations. The school is therefore ineligible to receive Federal Funds to include Tuition Assistance.

Auto Hobby Shop
For more information on programs and services at the Auto Hobby Shop, call 228-3614.

Car and Motorcycle Show
The D-M Auto Hobby Shop will host the 2nd annual Car and Motorcycle Show Oct. 29 at Bama Park. This year's event will be bigger than ever with 21 classes of vehicles including cars, trucks, and motorcycles. Trophies will be given for best in each class and for best of show in three categories. Registration forms are available at the Auto Hobby Shop and can be downloaded at www.dmservicesonline.com.

Outdoor Recreation
For more information on programs and services through Outdoor Recreation, call 228-3736.

Fruit and veggie picking
Enjoy a relaxing and memorable day in Wilcox, located in the Sulphur Springs Valley of southeastern Arizona, Oct. 15. Visitors are able to pick their own fruit and produce, or select

from the farm stands, enjoy freshly baked pies, apple bread, cookies and muffins and browse through gift shops, filled with gourmet foods and fudge and a delightful selection of country gifts. The cost of \$15 includes transportation. All purchases made during the trip, including lunch, will be at participant's own expense. Sign up by Oct. 11 by stopping by Building 4430 or calling Outdoor Recreation.

Youth Center
For more information on programs and services provided by the D-M Youth Center, call 228-8844.

Character Counts Week
The Youth Center will host National Character Counts week Oct. 16 through Oct. 22. Character Counts is a program that teaches youth the importance of basic ethical values.
◆ Oct. 18: 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.: Pre-teen Caring activity (ages 9 through 12 years),
◆ Oct. 19: 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.: Primary Fairness Activities (ages 5 through 8 years),
◆ Oct. 20: 7 to 8 p.m.: Teen Responsibility activities (ages 13 through 18 years) and
◆ Oct. 21: 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.: Trustworthiness and Respect activities (ages 5 through 18 years).

Child Development Center
For more information on programs and services provided by Information Tickets & Tours, call 228-3700.

CDC Fall Festival and Family Fun Day
The D-M Child Development Center is hosting a Fall Festival Oct. 27 at 5:30 p.m. There will be games, crafts, carnival activities, a cake walk and a pumpkin patch for the children to go through and select a pumpkin. In order to gain admittance, each person must bring in one non-perishable food item for the Center's food drive.

Arts & Crafts Center
For more information on programs and services at the Arts and Crafts Center, call 228-4385.

Free children's make and take projects
Children ages 5 and over are invited to stop by the Arts and Crafts Center anytime between 12:30 and 3 p.m. Oct. 15 to make Halloween Decorations. There is no charge for this event, however parents must stay with their children.

Framing classes
In just two classes, participants will learn how to cut and join frames, size and cut the matts and glass and assemble a finished piece. Cost is \$20 and supplies are included. The next set of classes are Oct. 20 and 27 from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

Scrapbooking class
Let the creativity flow at the Arts and Crafts Center and learn scrapbooking Oct. 29 from 1 to

3 p.m. This month will be Halloween layouts and cards. Cost is \$10 for new students and returning students receive a \$2 discount. Cost covers supplies for the course.
Pre-registration for this class is required as it is subject to cancellation.

Children's workshop
During this month's children's workshop, children will be making a clay pot black cat at the Arts and Crafts Center Oct. 22 between 1 and 3 p.m. Cost for this class is \$6.50 and all supplies are included. Pre-registration is required for this class as space is limited.

Happenings
Officers' Spouses' Club
The DMOSC will host its monthly function Thursday at 6 p.m. at the Mirage Officers' Club. The theme for this month is "Bunko in Germany." The cost for the dinner is \$15 for club members and \$17 for non-members. For reservations, call Marla Howes at 751-9155. For more information about the D-M Officers' Spouses' Club, visit www.dmosc.com.

Borman Elementary Carnival
The 2nd annual Borman Elementary Carnival will be held Oct. 22 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Palo Verde Housing. Admission to the event is free for all with a small charge for rides, games, food and a One Stop Shop and Book Fair. For more information, call 584-4600.

Halloween Bowling Tournament
The 355th Medical Group will sponsor a bowling tournament Oct. 28. At 9 p.m., judging will take place for the best Halloween decorated common room for each dorm. The winners will be given a prize to enhance their common room area. The bowling tournament will start at 10 p.m. at the Bowling Center with teams of four. Trophies will be given for the best costumes in male and female categories. Free drinks and pizza will be provided. This event is free to active duty members under 21 years of age. Email brian.medaugh@dm.af.mil to sign up a team.

Movies

Today 40-Year Old Virgin (R) 7 p.m.
Saturday 40-Year Old Virgin (R) 7 p.m.
Sunday March of the Penguins (G) 2 p.m.
Regular admission is \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children 11 and younger. Call 228-5694 for the theater movie recording.



